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This information was cited in a Chinese Search Report brought to our attention on January 6, 2006, and it is hereby certified that this disclosure is being made within three months of that date.

United States Patent 6,400,729, Shimadoi et al., relates to a protocol conversion system which performs protocol-conversion for data communication between different types of open networks using different protocols.

United States Patent 6,408,350, Kawamura et al., relates to a network in which a plurality of electronic apparatuses are connected by a high-speed serial bus and communications are performed while solving problems of incompatibility of transmission data formats.

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